

**HAMILTON ARMY AIRFIELD WETLAND RESTORATION  
CONSTRUCTION, GENERAL**

PROJECT LOCATION AND DESCRIPTION: The project includes 988 acres of a former military airfield and adjacent California State Lands Commission areas. The site is located on San Pablo Bay, 4 miles east of the city of Novato, in Marin County, California. The levee-protected site has subsided below the elevation of surrounding properties, including the tidal wetlands immediately adjacent to San Pablo Bay. This wetlands restoration project would advance the beneficial reuse of dredged material from San Francisco Bay as part of the Long Term Management Strategy (LTMS). The California State Coastal Conservancy (Conservancy) is the non-Federal sponsor.

**TOTAL FUNDING:**

TOTAL COST:	\$ 63,900,000
FEDERAL COST:	\$ 47,900,000
NON-FEDERAL COST:	\$ 16,000,000

TOTAL FEDERAL COST THROUGH FY05:	\$ 15,126,000
FISCAL YEAR 2006 BUDGET:	\$ 10,000,000
COST TO COMPLETE:	\$ 22,774,000

FY 05 ACCOMPLISHMENTS: The Bulge and Pacheco Levees as well as the primary soil relocation contract will be completed and the site prep for future materials placement will continue to include construction of the N1 Levee and Containment Berm as well as the South levee and Wildlife Corridor Berm.

FY 06 ACCOMPLISHMENTS: Continuation of site preparation and site construction, including construction of N2 Levee and fill placement in the Tidal Wetland Cells.

ISSUES AND OTHER INFORMATION: The transfer of the airfield property to the Conservancy was completed in September of 2003. A phased approach has been adopted to complete the design and construction of the Hamilton Wetlands Restoration Project in conjunction with the availability of the real estate parcels and dredge material. A General Re-evaluation and Chiefs Report signed in July 2004 recommended that the adjacent 1600-acre Bel Marin Keys (BMK) property be added to the HWRP Construction Authorization. The SCC will be seeking support to add the BMK parcel to a possible Water Resources Development Act of 2005.

CONGRESSIONAL INTEREST: 6<sup>th</sup> District, Rep. Lynn Woolsey

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